

LTC Richard P. Howard

Lieutenant Colonel Richard P. Howard enlisted in the New York Army National Guard as an 11H anti-armor infantryman in 1986 and served 4 years; attaining the rank of SGT. Upon completing basic training he attended Canisius College where he joined the Army ROTC. Lieutenant Colonel Howard graduated from Canisius College in 1990 with a Bachelor of Science in Political Science. Upon graduation he was commissioned a Regular Army Second Lieutenant in the Field Artillery.

Lieutenant Colonel Howard attended the Field Artillery Officer Basic and Advanced Courses and the MLRS Cadre Course at Fort Sill, OK. He is also a graduate of the Combined Arms and Services Staff School and Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

His assignments include MLRS platoon leader, cannon platoon leader, and cannon battalion maintenance officer in the 1st Cavalry Division. As a cannon platoon leader, LTC Howard participated in Operation Desert Storm. LTC Howard has also served in the 2d Infantry Division, Republic of Korea, as the Division Artillery S1 and as Battery Commander of Bravo Battery, 6th Battalion, 37th Field Artillery (MLRS). While stationed at Ft. Sill, OK, LTC Howard served as the Assistant TRADOC Systems Manager – Rocket and Missile Systems for the M270A1 MLRS launcher and HHB 214th FA Bde Battery Commander. LTC Howard has also served at Ft. Leavenworth and Ft. Riley. While at Ft. Riley, LTC Howard served as the S3, in OIF 1, and XO of 1st BN, 5th FA. LTC Howard's served as the First Army Division East Chief of Training from May 2006 – June 2008. He assumed command of 2nd BN (FA)(TS), 307th Regt on 25 Jun 08.

Lieutenant Colonel Howard's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Army Meritorious Service Medal with silver oak leaf cluster, the Army Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster, and the Army Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster. In addition, LTC Howard has earned the Army Parachutist Badge and Gold Advanced German Sports Badge.